

## OCTOBER 9, 2013 MINUTES

The October 9, 2013 regular meeting of the Ellsworth Trustees was called to order at 7:00 pm. A roll call was taken to establish a quorum: Trustee Laura Lewis present, Trustee Curtis Morrison present and Chairman William Spellman present. Also present were Fiscal Officer Karen Grittie, Fire Chief Robert Sternburg, Tom Toporcer Fire Inspector, Joe Toporcer EMS, Matt Stroney Maintenance, 14 visitors, and Deputy Russo for security. Western Reserve News was videotaping. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Additions to the agenda were Ron Niemiec under Zoning and a power point during the Fire Department Report.

MINUTES: Trustee Laura Lewis made a motion to accept the September regular meeting minutes and the minutes of the special meeting on September 23, 2012, seconded by Trustee Curtis Morrison. All in favor.

FISCAL REPORT: The bank balance was \$967,092.11. Office supplies are to be ordered. Let the Fiscal Officer know what is needed. Trustee Morrison made a motion to have the balances for the Fire Department and EMS at each meeting, seconded by Chairman Spellman, All in favor.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: Matt Stroney attended the Bureau of Workers Compensation workshop in Canton. Two proposals for replacing the Zoning exterior door were received from A&M Door and Murdoch and Sons. Fertilizer has been applied. The faucet handles in the fire hall kitchen was replaced. The phone numbers are wrong in the phone book. There was one burial. Green chairs were placed in the mausoleum. The exit lights were replaced. Additional crack sealing material was purchased and \$1207.50 is owed to Berlin Township. The crack sealing in Ellsworth was completed. Rolling Hills needs repaired. The generator was not connected to the maintenance building. There would not be water at the fire station during a power outage/emergency. It was proposed to connect the maintenance building to the generator and remove the electric meter at maintenance building. A pump in the manhole can be installed to pump the pond water to the station to fill the trucks. A transfer switch is not needed on the generator. D&R Water consulted on the water pump issue and submitted a quote for the pump at \$1190 and the safety switches at \$300. Quotes from Current Electric, \$4700, and Santon Electric, \$6243, were reviewed for the electrical work. The Township was responsible for a backhoe, saw cut for the sidewalk, pedestal for pump hole, and a trench. The pump for the pond water works off the switch in the bay. The cost to remove the electric meter would be recouped in two years from the savings. The Armstrong cable in the maintenance would remain as a dedicated line for sheriff. The project is to start in November 2013, costing \$6190 plus lumber. Trustee Morrison made a motion for \$6190 for the pond pump and generator project, seconded by Trustee Lewis. All in favor. Chairman Spellman made a motion to reimburse Matt Stroney \$19.47 for faucet and travel and parking, seconded by Trustee Morrison. All in favor. The ladder was purchased at ABC Supply for \$385, which was a better price. Matt Stroney will check on price of calcium for winter. Trustee Lewis made a motion to pay \$1207.50 to Berlin Township for crack seal materials, seconded by Trustee Morrison. All in favor. It was announced Halloween would be on October 31, 2013 from 5 to 7 pm.

ZONING REPORT: The Zoning Inspector was absent. Chairman Spellman reported the copier is not working. The Zoning Inspector returned 9 phone calls, met with zoning board on Baird Brothers expansion, met with zoning board on zoning updates and land use plan. Ron Niemiec from Diehl Lake explained the need for the zoning amendment. On October 8, 2013 the Zoning Commission met with Diehl Lake concerning an amendment to have their parcels deeded, so it is easier to sell and secure a mortgage. This change was before the zoning commission and the Mahoning County Planning Commission and approved. The trustees must hold a special hearing for public comment and approval. The special meeting was set for October 22, 2013 at 7 pm in the Town Hall.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Tom Toporcer, a fire inspector, fire fighter and paramedic, presented a power point on inspection of businesses. Homeowners can ask for advice for fire safety. Ellsworth Township has three Inspectors Chief Sternburg, Tim Ramsey and Tom Toporcer. The Ohio Fire Code is in the Ohio Administrative code 13011.7-7. In order to inspect commercial properties, the trustees, as the governing body, must adopt the Ohio Fire Code and accept Chief Sternburg, Tom Toporcer and Tim Ramsey as the fire inspectors. Chief Sternburg suggested contacting Greenford, Berlin Center and Canfield, as they each inspect their businesses. The ISO will have new mandates to keep ISO rate down. Inspections will be required by insurance carriers within 5 years. The inspectors have 40 to 80 hours of training. This was tabled for later.

Since last month there were 2 good intent calls, 1 motor vehicle crash, 9 emergency medicals, 2 transports, 1 civilian death not fire related, with 163 fire fighter hours. An application for Mike Emery EMT was submitted. Carol Sinn EMT-1 wants to join the department and Chief Sternburg asked for the approval of Carol Sinn. Chief Sternburg also asked to look for a new computer for the Fire Department.

EMS: The pads on 2 AD's carried in the engine that are out of date, 2 sets at \$50 per set, Penn Care \$311, oil change for squad, 2 batteries for heart monitor, at \$600, 3 terra byte hard drive back up for computer at \$120.

Quotes for portable radios for new EMTs will be presented at the next meeting. . Trustee Lewis made a motion for \$1250 for EMS supplies, seconded by Trustee Morrison. All in favor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: TRUSTEE MORRISON made a motion to reinstate Dave Allen to the Zoning Board of Appeals, seconded by Chairman Spellman. The vote was Chairman Spellman and Trustee Morrison yea. Trustee Lewis voted no. Trustee Lewis stated a member of a judicial board used bad judgment in a lawsuit when that case may have come before that board. Chairman Spellman state the writ of mandamus made us (the trustees) do our job. TRUSTEE LEWIS sent an invoice to Mahoning County to be reimbursed for the rubber mulch at the playground. The website was updated. CHAIRMAN SPELLMAN is meeting with Lordstown about the salt and working on a problem on Western Reserve Road. Matt Stroney was asked to update the road inventory for bridges, or spans, so when grants become available, we are prepared. The Ohio Attorney General has money for removal of nuisance houses. Chairman Spellman asked Trustee Lewis to clarify a statement that the Chair was suing her. Trustee Lewis responded the insurance company sent a letter not to discuss this. The Chair closed with Artie Spellman isn't suing anybody.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

The Fiscal Officer, Karen Grittie announced Trick or Trunk was on October 27, 2013 from 3 to 5 pm at the Fire Station.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Next meeting will be November 13, 2013 at 7 pm at the Town Hall. The Special meeting will be on October 22, 22013 t 7 pm at the Town Hall.

At 8:55 pm Trustee Lewis made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Morrison, All in favor,

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Karen Grittie, Fiscal Officer

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Chairman William Spellman

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Trustee Curtis Morrison

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Trustee Laura Lewis